

## Remarks

Claims 1-8 are pending in the present application. Reconsideration and allowance are requested in view of the above amendments and the remarks below.

Claim 1 has been amended to address the rejections under 35 U.S.C. 101 and 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph.

Claims 1-6 and 8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) over Lamburt (U.S. Patent No. 6,578,056). Claims 9-11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) over Lal (U.S. Patent No. 6,684,204). Claim 7 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) over Lamburt.

The rejection of claims 9-11 is moot in view of the cancellation of these claims.

The rejections of claims 1-8 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) and 103(a) over Lamburt are defective because Lamburt fails to disclose each and every feature set forth in the claims.

Independent claim 1 recites:

"A method for archiving a markup language document comprising at least one referenced resource and a storage device for storing at least one referenced resource, the method comprising the steps of:

storing the markup language document in the storage device;

providing the markup language document to an indexer for identifying at least one referenced resource in the markup language document;

determining, by examining with the indexer an index file containing references to previously identified and stored resources, if the at least one identified referenced resource is stored in the storage device;

in response to an unsuccessful determining step, adding a reference to the at least one identified referenced resource to the index file and storing the at least one identified referenced resource in the storage device; and

in response to a successful determining step, not storing the at least one identified referenced resource in the storage device for a second time."

The sections of Lamburt cited by the examiner, as well Lamburt taken as a whole, fail to disclose, *inter alia*, the steps of: "determining, by examining with the indexer an index file containing references to previously identified and stored resources, if the at least one identified referenced resource is stored in the storage device"; "in response to an unsuccessful determining step, adding a reference to the at least one identified referenced resource to the index file and storing the at least one identified referenced resource in the storage device"; and "in response to a successful determining step, not storing the at least one identified referenced resource in the storage device for a second time."

The Examiner references several steps in FIG. 29 of Lamburt as allegedly disclosing the above-referenced features of independent claim 1. Applicants disagree with the Examiner's analysis of Lamburt and submit that steps 948 and 952 in FIG. 29 of Lamburt are directed to the **retrieval** of data and not to the storage of resources as in independent claim 1 of the present patent application.

Accordingly, Applicants submit that claims 1-8 are allowable.

If the Examiner believes that anything further is necessary to place the application in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicants' undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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